



**MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
NORTHEAST DISTRICT
SOLICITATION GUIDELINES AND DOCUMENTATION**

REQUEST FOR QUOTATION

It is the vendor's responsibility to read and comply with all conditions, specifications, and instructions outlined in this document. This document and any subsequent attachments shall supersede all confirmation forms, receipts, or any other paperwork needed to secure materials, equipment, or services.

TODAY'S DATE: DECEMBER 10, 2014	RESPONSES DUE NO LATER THAN: DECEMBER 22, 2014 @ 1:00 PM CENTRAL TIME	F.O.B. REQUIREMENTS: DESTINATION (SEE PROJECT LOCATION BELOW)
SPECIFY YOUR ESTIMATED COMPLETION TIME IN THE SPACE PROVIDED BELOW (AFTER RECEIPT OF ORDER OR NOTICE TO PROCEED).	REQUEST # NE15-27Q-R2 THIS NUMBER SHOULD BE REFERENCED ON ALL MAILING LABELS, ENVELOPES, AND ANY OTHER CORRESPONDENCE ABOUT THIS SOLICITATION.	BUYER NAME: WILLIAM D. "BILL" NOYES, CPPO, CPPB SENIOR PROCUREMENT AGENT PHONE NUMBER: (660)-385-8245 FAX NUMBER: (573)-526-3169
Mailing Address: RFQ Responses Accepted By Fax MoDOT – Northeast District – Regional Office General Services (Procurement) Division 26826 U.S. Highway 63 Macon, MO. 63552	Project Location: MoDOT – Northeast District – Warrenton Maintenance Area (Warren County) – One (1) damaged fence site: Interstate 70 Eastbound mile marker 198 South Outer Road at the rest area entrance.	

VENDOR NAME:

(Please enter your company name in this block)

<u>Labor and materials to repair chain link fencing.</u> Refer to the project location described above.	QUOTED COST (for labor & materials to complete all repairs at the project site)
Scope of Work: There is 1 corner post and 6 regular posts to be replaced and an estimated 60-foot section of 5-foot tall chain link fence to be replaced at the project location described herein.	\$
Estimated Completion Time (A.R.O. = After Receipt of Order):	A.R.O.
MoDOT does not represent that the description above includes all damage which may need to be repaired at the site to bring the areas back up to standards. There is no mandatory meeting or requirement to view the site in order to submit a quotation, but interested contractors are strongly encouraged to do so to adequately determine their quoted "lump sum" cost will be sufficient to cover all labor and expenses, including all materials needed to complete the necessary repairs. To make an appointment to view the sites prior to submitting a quote, contact Gary Peasel at 314-420-0470.	

Project Site



Required Specifications

The services and materials to be supplied shall comply with the requirements of the applicable parts of **Section 607.10 – Chain Link Fence** and **Section 1043 – Fence Material** of the **2011 Edition of the Missouri Standard Specifications for Highway Construction** and any revisions thereto. These may be viewed online at:

Section 607.10 – Chain Link Fence:

http://www.modot.mo.gov/business/standards_and_specs/Sec0607.pdf

Section 1043 – Fence Material:

http://www.modot.mo.gov/business/standards_and_specs/Sec1043.pdf

Site Conditions & Site Clean Up

The Contractor is responsible for having all utilities located prior to work. The project location can be a wet environment with soft ground conditions and the Contractor will be responsible for repairing any damage done to the surrounding environment (i.e. rutting ground, shoulder or pavement damage, etc.) due to the repair activities, whether that damage be caused by the Contractor, any subcontractor, or any material supplier at the site (concrete trucks, etc.). All materials removed/replaced (old concrete, fencing materials, brush, etc.) during the repair process shall become the property of the Contractor and shall be removed from the right of way and properly disposed of.

Work Scheduling

The Contractor shall furnish MoDOT with a planned schedule at least 24 hours before starting work. Notification should be during the normal workday preceding the day on which the Contractor desires to initiate work. No work will be performed outside of normal working hours, Saturdays, Sundays, or observed holidays unless specifically authorized by the engineer or a designated representative.

Traffic Control

While we anticipate most work will occur off of the roadway, with the Contractor working from the outer road side of the project location, it will be necessary for the Contractor to coordinate scheduling with a MoDOT representative as MoDOT will provide any required traffic control during the project, if necessary. The Contractor shall be responsible for maintaining the existing traffic flow through the job site during the work. If disruption of the traffic flow occurs and traffic is backed up in queues of 15-minute delays or longer, then the Contractor shall discontinue work and move off of the roadway until the traffic delay clears. The contractor shall also review the work operations, which contributed directly to the disruption of traffic flow, and make adjustments to the operations to prevent queues from occurring again.

Realigning Posts

The Contractor shall realign and plumb line, end, corner, or pull posts which are out of alignment but otherwise undamaged. After realignment, any voids around the post shall be securely backfilled with soil, sand, or other fine aggregate material approved by MoDOT and thoroughly tamped.

Replacing Posts

Since this fence is off of a high speed roadway, any posts removed should be replaced with a new post in the same type of footing (i.e. any post currently set in concrete must have the replacement post also set in concrete). Existing posts that have sustained damage that does not allow reuse will require removal of the footing. All exposed post holes shall be securely backfilled with sand or other approved fine aggregate material and thoroughly tamped. For locations with removed concrete footings, the resulting hole shall be securely backfilled with soil, sand, or other approved material prior to excavating for a new footing. Existing damaged line posts, which are driven into earth, shall be pulled. The contractor may choose to drive the replacement post in the same earth hole as the removed damaged post or excavate and pour a concrete footing. If the new post is driven in the same earth hole as the removed damaged post, the contractor shall first securely backfill the hole with soil, sand, or other approved material and thoroughly tamp the backfill before driving the replacement post. All remaining exposed earth post holes shall be backfilled with sand or other approved fine aggregate material and thoroughly tamped.

Replacing Existing Top Rail and/or Tension Wire

Existing chain-link fence installations have either a metal top rail or a tension wire. Damaged fence installations with a top rail will have the top rail designated for removal and replacement. The existing damaged top rail shall be cut at the posts nearest the damaged section of fence and a new replacement shall be attached to the first post and strung to the last post of the damaged fence section. If the existing fence has a tension wire that sustained damage, the tension wire will be designated for removal and replacement. The damaged wire shall be cut and attached to the nearest post. A new replacement tension wire shall be attached to the first post and strung to the last post of the damaged fence section.

Replacing and Splicing Fence Fabric

Existing fence fabric that has sustained damage that does not allow reuse will be designated for replacement. The existing damaged fabric shall be replacement chain-link fabric shall be woven together with the existing fabric and be knuckled or twisted at the top and bottom to match the existing fabric.

Reattaching Fence Fabric to Posts and Tension Wire

Fence fabric which is pulled loose from existing undamaged posts and tension wire will be designated for reattachment. Fabric shall also be attached to any new replacement posts and tension wire. The fence fabric shall be restretched in accordance with manufacturer recommendations so that the finished installation presents an appearance satisfactory to MoDOT. Fabric shall be reattached using new fabric ties, hog rings, and any other required hardware. Chain-link fabric shall be securely attached to end, corner, and pull posts using stretcher bars and bands in accordance with manufacturer recommendations or as directed by MoDOT.

Award

Award of this solicitation will be made on an "All Or Nothing" basis using the "lowest and best" principle of award. Notification of award will be at the time the tabulation is posted to the Internet. It is the sole responsibility for all vendors to check the website for tabulation/award results.

F.O.B. and Pricing

Price all services and materials as F.O.B. Destination. All costs (including mobilization, labor, materials, etc.) must be included in the total "lump sum" prices quoted for each site and not broken out separately.

Insurance

The Contractor shall maintain or cause to be maintained at Contractor's own expense commercial general liability, automobile liability, worker's compensation insurance against negligent acts, errors or omissions of the Contractor, or its subcontractors and anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them. Any insurance policy required as specified in this Section shall be written by a company that is licensed and authorized to issue such insurance in the state of Missouri and shall provide insurance coverage for not less than the following limits of liability:

- 1) General Liability: Not less than **\$500,000** for any one person in a single accident or occurrence, and not less than **\$3,000,000** for all claims arising out of a single occurrence;
- 2) Automobile Liability: Not less than \$500,000 for any one person in a single accident or occurrence, and not less than \$3,000,000 for all claims arising out of a single occurrence;
- 3) Missouri State Workmen's Compensation policy or equivalent in accordance with state law.

Upon notification of award, the Contractor will need to provide a copy of his/her Certificate of Insurance showing coverage, in the amounts required above, prior to the issuance of any purchase order or notice to proceed by MoDOT. MoDOT reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to determine the date by which this documentation must be provided. The Contractor's inability to provide this documentation will result in his/her bid/quote being rejected. MoDOT shall be listed as a "Certificate Holder" on the Certificate of Insurance with the following mailing address:

Missouri Department of Transportation
Northeast District Procurement
26826 U.S. Highway 63
Macon, MO. 63552

Construction Safety Program

Missouri law, 292.675 RSMo, requires the awarded Contractor and its subcontractor(s) to provide a ten-hour occupational safety and health administration (OSHA) construction safety program (or a similar program approved by the Missouri Department of Labor and Industrial Relations as a qualified substitute) for their on-site employees (laborers, workmen, drivers, equipment operators, and craftsmen) who have not previously completed such a program and are directly engaged in actual construction of the improvement (or working at a nearby or adjacent facility used for construction of the improvement). The Contractor and its subcontractor(s) shall require all such employees to complete this ten-hour program, pursuant to 292.675 RSMo, unless they hold documentation on their prior completion of said program. Penalties for non-compliance include Contractor forfeiture to the Commission in the amount of \$2,500, plus \$100 per contractor and subcontractor employee for each calendar day such employee is employed beyond the elapsed time period for required program completion under 292.675 RSMo.

Prevailing Wage

The work to be performed under this solicitation is governed by the provisions of Chapter 290 RSMo, as amended, related to prevailing wages to be paid on public works. If the bid/quote is accepted, the vendor will be required to comply with the prevailing wages as fixed by the Missouri Department of Labor and Industrial Relations, in effect as of the date of the issuance of the solicitation, for each affected craft and type of workmen in the following county:

Warren. The **General Wage Order # 58** is included with the RFQ documents. Pursuant to the requirements of the

Chapter 290 RSMo., not less than the prevailing hourly rate of wages, as set out in the wage order attached to and made part of the specification for work under the contract, must be paid to all workers performing work under the contract. The Contractor shall provide all information, reports and other documentation as required by MoDOT to ensure compliance with Chapter 290 RSMo., as amended, relating to prevailing wages to be paid on public works. The Contractor shall forfeit a penalty to the contracting public body of \$100 per day (or portion of a day) for each worker that is paid less than the prevailing rate for any work done under the contract by the contractor or by any subcontractor. The Contractor shall submit notarized weekly payroll affidavit documentation included with the project request for payment.

Permits, Licenses, Safety Issues, and Lien Waivers

The contract pricing shall include any permits and licenses required by law incidental to the work. The Contractor shall comply with any local laws involving safety in the prosecution of the work. The Contractor shall provide lien waivers from all material suppliers.

Temporary Suspension of Work

The District Engineer or a designated representative shall have authority to suspend work wholly or in part for such period or periods as may be deemed necessary when weather or other conditions are such that in the opinion of the engineer, the work may be done at a later time with advantage to MoDOT or for failure on the part of the Contractor to comply with any of the provisions of the solicitation. If MoDOT suspends the work for its own advantages and not because of the Contractor's failure to comply, the Contractor will be allowed an equal number of calendar days after the completion date to finish the work. MoDOT may at its discretion give the Contractor an extension of time for completing the work where the Contractor incurs delays for causes beyond his control. Normal rainfall is not considered a cause qualifying for an extension of time. Claim for extension of time for all causes must be submitted promptly by the Contractor in writing and no later than within 30 Days after the claimed cause for the delay has ceased to exist.

Preferences

By virtue of statutory authority, RSMo. 34.076 and 34.350 to 34.359, a preference will be given to materials, products, supplies, provisions and all other articles produced, manufactured, made or grown within the State of Missouri. Such preference shall be given when quality is equal or better and delivered price is the same or less. By virtue of statutory authority, RSMo 34.074, a preference will be given all contracts for the performance of any job or service to service-disabled veteran business either doing business as Missouri firms, corporations, or individuals; or which maintain Missouri offices or places of business, when the quality of performance promised is equal or better and the price quoted is the same or less or whenever competing bids, in their entirety, are comparable.

E-Verify

If the total project cost for this RFQ exceeds \$5,000, the awarded vendor will have to comply with requirements of, complete the necessary forms, and provide the appropriate documents related to the federal E-Verify program.

VENDOR NOTES

VENDORS MAY ATTACH OTHER PERTINENT/SUPPORTING DATA WITH THEIR RESPONSE TO THIS SOLICITATION.

All responses to this solicitation should be submitted on this form and returned to the buyer listed above at the mailing address shown. Responses may be faxed, mailed, or hand-delivered.

VENDOR INFORMATION & PREFERENCE CERTIFICATION FORM

Vendor Information

All bidders must furnish **ALL** applicable information requested below

Vendor Name/Mailing Address: Email Address:	Vendor Contact Information (including area codes): Phone #: Cellular #: Fax #:
Printed Name of Responsible Officer or Employee:	Signature:
For Corporations - State in which incorporated:	For Others - State of domicile:

If the address listed in the Vendor Name/Mailing Address block above is not located in the State of Missouri, list the address of Missouri offices or places of business:

If additional space is required, please attach an additional sheet and identify it as **Addresses of Missouri Offices or Places of Business.**

M/WBE INFORMATION: List all certified Minority or Women Business Enterprises (**M/WBE**) utilized in the fulfillment of this bid. Include percentages for subcontractors and identify the M/WBE certifying agency:

<u>M/WBE Name</u>	<u>Percentage of Contract</u>	<u>M/WBE Certifying Agency</u>
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

If additional space is required, please attach an additional sheet and identify it as **M/WBE Information**

Preference Certification

All bidders must furnish **ALL** applicable information requested below

GOODS/PRODUCTS MANUFACTURED OR PRODUCED IN USA: If any or all of the goods or products offered in the attached bid which the bidder proposes to supply to the MHTC are **not** manufactured or produced in the "United States", or imported in accordance with a qualifying treaty, law, agreement, or regulation, list below, by item or item number, the country other than the United States where each good or product is manufactured or produced.

Item (or item number)	Location Where Item is Manufactured or Produced

If additional space is required, please attach an additional sheet and identify it as **Location Products are Manufactured or Produced.**

MISSOURI SERVICE-DISABLED VETERAN BUSINESS: Please complete the following if applicable. Additional information may be requested if preference is applicable. See below definitions for qualification criteria:

Service-Disabled Veteran is defined as any individual who is disabled as certified by the appropriate federal agency responsible for the administration of veterans' affairs.

Service-Disabled Veteran Business is defined as a business concern:

- Not less than fifty-one (51) percent of which is owned by one or more service-disabled veterans or, in the case of any publicly owned business, not less than fifty-one (51) percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more service-disabled veterans; and
- The management and daily business operations of which are controlled by one or more service-disabled veterans.

Veteran Information

Business Information

Service-Disabled Veteran's Name (Please Print)

Service-Disabled Veteran Business Name

Service-Disabled Veteran's Signature

Missouri Address of Service Disabled Veteran Business

IF NOT SUBMITTING A RESPONSE TO THIS SOLICITATION, PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN THIS FORM TO ASSIST PROCUREMENT STAFF IN OUR PROCESS EVALUATIONS AND TO HELP US KEEP OUR VENDOR LISTS UPDATED. THANK YOU.

NO BID / NO QUOTE

DATE: _____

TO: Missouri Department of Transportation – Northeast District
General Services (Procurement) Division
26826 U.S. Highway 63
Macon, MO. 63552
(573)-526-3169 – fax #

FROM: _____ (Company Name)

_____ (Contact Person)

_____ (Mailing Address)

_____ (City, State, Zip Code)

____ (Office Phone #)

____ (Cellular Phone #)

____ (Fax #)

_____ (Email Address)

Our company is submitting “NO BID / NO QUOTE” on Request # _____ for the reasons indicated below (check all that apply):

- () Product or service is not available or cannot meet the required specifications
- () Cannot make required deadline
- () The delivery point or work location is outside of our territory or coverage/service area
- () Other – Please explain below:

- () Please keep our name on the bidder's list for future opportunities on this product or service.
() Please remove our name from your bidder's list for this product or service.

FAILURE TO RETURN A RESPONSE OR THIS FORM MAY RESULT IN
REMOVAL FROM OUR VENDOR DATABASE FOR FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES

This "No Bid/No Quote" form may be faxed back to (573)-526-3169.

Note: The following pages detail further terms and conditions which apply to this solicitation document. However, it is not necessary to return these pages with your bid submission. If any “Standard Solicitation Provisions” and “General Terms and Conditions” below conflict with any requirements outlined on previous pages, the requirements above take precedence.

Tax Exempt Status

The Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission (MHTC) is exempt from paying Missouri Sales Tax, Missouri Use Tax and Federal Excise Tax. However, the Contractor may themselves be responsible for the payment of taxes on materials they purchase to fulfill the contract. A Project Tax Exemption Certificate will be furnished to the successful Bidder upon request, if applicable.

Right of Acceptance/Rejection

MoDOT reserves the right to reject any or all bids/quotes/proposals, and to accept or reject any items thereon, and to waive technicalities. In case of error in the extension of prices in the solicitation response, unit prices will govern.

General Performance

This work is to be performed under the general supervision and direction of MoDOT and, if awarded any portion of the work, the Contractor agrees to furnish at his/her own expense all labor and equipment required to complete the work, it being expressly understood that this solicitation is for completed work based upon the price(s) specified according to the scope of work and the requirements and specifications detailed within the solicitation documents.

Invoicing and Payment

Each invoice should be itemized in accordance with items listed on the purchase order and/or contract. The statewide financial management system has been designed to capture certain receipt and payment information. Therefore, each invoice submitted must reference the purchase order number and must be itemized in accordance with items listed on the purchase order. Failure to comply with this requirement may delay processing of invoices for payment. Unless otherwise provided for in the solicitation documents, payment for all equipment, supplies, and/or services required herein shall be made in arrears. The MHTC shall not make any advance deposits. The MHTC assumes no obligation for equipment, supplies, and/or services shipped or provided in excess of the quantity ordered. Authorized quantity is subject to the MHTC's rejection and shall be returned at the Contractor's expense. The MHTC reserves the right to purchase goods and services using the state-purchasing card.

Inspection and Acceptance

No equipment, supplies, and/or services received by MoDOT pursuant to a contract shall be deemed accepted until MoDOT has had reasonable opportunity to inspect said equipment, supplies, and/or services. All equipment, supplies, and/or services which do not comply with the specifications and/or requirements or which are otherwise unacceptable or defective may be rejected. In addition, all equipment, supplies, and/or services which are discovered to be defective or which do not conform to any warranty of the Contractor upon inspection (or at any later time if the defects contained were not reasonably ascertainable upon the initial inspection) may be rejected. The MHTC reserves the right to return any such rejected shipment at the Contractor's expense for full credit or replacement and to specify a reasonable date by which replacements must be received. The MHTC's right to reject any unacceptable equipment, supplies, and/or services shall not exclude any other legal, equitable or contractual remedies the MHTC may have.

STANDARD SOLICITATION PROVISIONS

- a. The solicitation for the procurement of the supplies referenced therein, to which these “Standard Bid Provisions, General Terms and Conditions and Special Terms and Conditions” are attached, is being issued under, and governed by, the provisions of Title 7 – Missouri Department of Transportation, Division 10 – Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission, Chapter 11 – Procurement of Supplies, of the Code of State Regulations. The Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission (MHTC), acting by and through its operating arm, the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT), draws the Bidder's attention to said 7 CSR 10-11 for all the provisions governing solicitation and receipt of bids/quotes and the award of the contract pursuant to this solicitation.
- b. All bids/quotes must be signed with the firm name and by a responsible officer or employee. Obligations assumed by such signature must be fulfilled.

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Definitions

Capitalized terms as well as other terms used but not defined herein shall have the meaning assigned to them in section 7 CSR 10-11.010 Definition of Terms.

Nondiscrimination

- a. The Contractor shall comply with all state and federal statutes applicable to the Contractor relating to nondiscrimination, including, but not limited to, Chapter 213, RSMo; Title VI and Title VII of Civil Rights Act of 1964 as amended (42 U.S.C. Sections 2000d and 2000e, *et seq.*); and with any provision of the "Americans with Disabilities Act" (42 U.S.C. Section 12101, *et seq.*).
- b. Sanctions for Noncompliance: In the event of the Contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination provisions of this contract, MHTC shall impose such contract sanctions as it or the Federal Highway Administration may determine to be appropriate, including, but not limited to:
 - i. withholding of payments to the Contractor under the contract until the Contractor complies, and/or,
 - ii. cancellation, termination or suspension of the contract, in whole or in part.

Contract/Purchase Order

- a. By submitting a bid/quote, the Bidder agrees to furnish any and all equipment, supplies and/or services specified in the solicitation documents, at the prices quoted, pursuant to all requirements and specifications contained therein.
- b. A binding contract shall consist of: (1) the solicitation documents, amendments thereto, and/or Best and Final Offer (BAFO) request(s) with any changes/additions, (2) the Contractor's bid response, and (3) the MHTC's acceptance of the bid by post-award contract or purchase order.
- c. A notice of award does not constitute an authorization for shipment of equipment or supplies or a directive to proceed with services. Before providing equipment, supplies and/or services, the Contractor must receive a properly authorized notice to proceed and/or purchase order.

Applicable Laws and Regulations

- a. The contract shall be construed according to the laws of the State of Missouri. The Contractor shall comply with all local, state, and federal laws and regulations related to the performance of the contract. The exclusive venue for any legal proceeding relating to or arising, out of the contract shall be in the Circuit Court of Cole County, Missouri.
- b. The Contractor must be registered and maintain good standing with the Secretary of State of the State of Missouri, Missouri Department of Revenue, and other regulatory agencies, as may be required by law or regulations. Prior to the issuance of a purchase order and/or notice to proceed, the Contractor may be required to submit to MHTC a copy of their current Authority Certificate from the Secretary of State of the State of Missouri and/or a copy of their Certificate of No Tax Due from the Missouri Department of Revenue.
- c. Prior to the issuance of a purchase order and/or notice to proceed, all **out-of-state** Contractors **providing services** within the state of Missouri must submit to MHTC a copy of their current Transient Employer Certificate from the Missouri Department of Revenue, in addition to a copy of their current Authority Certificate from the Secretary of State of the State of Missouri.

Executive Order

The Contractor shall comply with all the provisions of Executive Order 07-13, issued by the Honorable Matt Blunt, Governor of Missouri, on the sixth (6th) day of March, 2007. This Executive Order, which promulgates the State of Missouri's position to not tolerate persons who contract with the state engaging in or supporting illegal activities of employing individuals who are not eligible to work in the United States, is incorporated herein by reference and made a part of this Agreement.

- 1) "By signing this Agreement, the Contractor hereby certifies that any employee of the Contractor assigned to perform services under the contract is eligible and authorized to work in the United States in compliance with federal law."
- 2) In the event the Contractor fails to comply with the provisions of the Executive Order 07-13, or in the event the Commission has reasonable cause to believe that the contractor has knowingly employed individuals who are not eligible to work in the United States in violation of federal law, the Commission reserves the right to impose such contract sanctions as it may determine to be appropriate, including but not limited to contract cancellation, termination or suspension in whole or in part or both.
- 3) The Contractor shall include the provisions of this paragraph in every subcontract. The Contractor shall take such action with respect to any subcontract as the Commission may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance.

Preferences

- a. In the evaluation of bids/quotes, preferences shall be applied in accordance with 7 CSR 10-11.020(7). Contractors should apply the same preferences in selecting subcontractors. The attached document entitled **"VENDOR INFORMATION AND PREFERENCE CERTIFICATION FORM"** must be completed and returned with the solicitation documents.

- b. Bidders are encouraged to obtain minority business enterprise (MBE) and women business enterprise (WBE) participation in this work through the use of subcontractors, suppliers, joint ventures, or other arrangements that afford meaningful participation for M/WBEs. Bidders are encouraged to obtain 10% MBE and 5% WBE participation.

Cancellation of Contract

The MHTC may cancel the Contract at any time for a material breach of contractual obligations or for convenience by providing Contractor with written notice of cancellation. Should the MHTC exercise its right to cancel the contract for such reasons, cancellation will become effective upon the date specified in the notice of cancellation sent to the Contractor.

Bankruptcy or Insolvency

Upon filing for any bankruptcy or insolvency proceeding by or against the Contractor, whether voluntarily, or upon the appointment of a receiver, trustee, or assignee, for the benefit of creditors, the Commission reserves the right and sole discretion to either cancel the Agreement or affirm the Agreement and hold the Contractor responsible for damages.

Warranty

The Contractor expressly warrants that all equipment, supplies, and/or services provided shall: (1) conform to each and every specification, drawing, sample or other description which was furnished to or adopted by the MHTC, (2) be fit and sufficient for the purpose expressed in the solicitation documents, (3) be merchantable, (4) be of good materials and workmanship, and (5) be free from defect.

Status of Independent Contractor

The Contractor represents itself to be an independent Contractor offering such services to the general public and shall not represent itself or its employees to be an employee of the MHTC. Therefore, the Contractor shall assume all legal and financial responsibility for taxes, FICA, employee fringe benefits, workers' compensation, employee insurance, minimum wage requirements, overtime, etc., and agrees to indemnify, save and hold the MHTC, its officers, agents and employees harmless from and against any and all losses (including attorney fees) and damage of any kind related to such matters.

Non-Waiver

If one of the parties agrees to waive its right to enforce any term of this Contract, that party does not waive its right to enforce such term at any other time or to enforce any or all other terms of this Contract.

Indemnification

The Contractor shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless MHTC, including its members and department employees, from any claim or liability whether based on a claim for damages to real or personal property or to a person for any matter relating to or arising out of the Contractor's performance of its obligations under the contract awarded pursuant to this solicitation.

(T&C's Version August 2014)

Informational Note: For mailing bid responses, UPS deliveries are typically made to the Procurement office in Macon in the mid-morning, while FedEx and U.S. Postal Mail are not typically received until the late afternoon. Regardless of delivery method, check with the carrier to ensure the response will be delivered before the 1:00 PM deadline. Late responses cannot be accepted.